Causes of the Industrial Revolution

Refer to your text book (pp. 253 to 257) and the internet <http://industrialrevolution.sea.ca/causes.html> for example)

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| Factor | How it lead to the industrial revolution in Great Britain |
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| Cottage industry | Took advantage of farmer’s free time to produce quality textiles for a reasonable price. It was a profit for urban merchants. |
| Agricultural Revolution | Improved agriculture and farming, and as the food supplies increased, the living conditions improved. Therefore it increased the population of Britain. |
| Inventions | Many new inventions revolutionized industry. Cloth technology boosted up merchant’s profits by speeding up the process, and Agricultural technology boosted up the process of agriculture for farmers. |
| Economic Strength | Business people with their highly developed banking system contributed to the country’s industrialization. Furthermore, the economic progress contributed to the increase in demand for goods. |
| Transportation | Increased the amount of export and import throughout railroad system. Quick communication between other countries. |